

**The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review met at their headquarters located at 1 Regan Court, Varley Building #46, Cranston, RI on Tuesday, November 27, 2007 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Chairman Coutu, Vice Chairman Newbrook and Commissioners O'Connell, Preiss, Walker, Jackson, Jasparro, Richard, Filippi and Blackburn. Also present were Executive Director Thomas Coffey and Assistant Administrative Officer Carol Marsella. The following cases were heard.**

**APPEAL # 050452 : Karen Deinzer (Montessori Toddlers Inc.) for the property located at 415 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. DSFM David Hart appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Walker, to grant a variance to allow the joint occupancy of this facility as long as the groups occupy the facility at different times. If joint occupancy occurs, the Applicant is required to install magnetic hold open devices on the cited doors. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #060117: Very Rev. Maurice Brindamour, for the property located at 1371 Park Avenue, Woonsocket. Lt. Francis Dunton appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Newbrook, to grant the following relief. The Applicant is granted a variance in order not to have to provide proof of rating labels on the cited doors and transoms based on their composition, and a variance based on structural hardship is granted to allow the corridor width to remain. A**

**variance is granted, also based on structural hardship, to allow the exits in Scouters Hall to remain at their non-remote positions, provided the occupancy of this room is posted for under 50 people, and is not open to the general public. The Applicant is granted a time variance, until the opening of school in the 2008/2009 academic year, in order to complete the required work, including but not limited to, the installation of a rated door assembly between the educational facility and the place of assembly, and compartmentalizing the attic, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's office. The occupancy of the place of assembly is to be posted at less than 300 people. The Woonsocket Fire Marshal may extend the above timetable for good faith shown by the Applicant. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #050794: Jean Rondeau, for the property located at 24 Monument Square, Woonsocket. Captain David Beaubien appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's office. It was determined that the Board will conduct an on-site inspection of this facility on December 5, 2007 at 11:00 am. There was no determination made at this time.**

**APPEAL #060926: Peter J. Rotelli, Esq., for the property located at 123 Empire Street, Providence. ADSFM George Calise appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's office. The Applicant's plan of action was not acceptable to the Providence Fire Marshal's office, and the Applicant was directed to return before the Board in January of 2008 with a plan of action acceptable to the parties. There was no**

determination made at this time.

**APPEAL #060801:** The Jewelers Board of Trade, for the property located at 95 Jefferson Blvd, Warwick. ADSFM George Potter appeared for the Warwick Fire Marshal's office and Mr. Vertus Hayward appeared for the elevator inspection unit. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jasparro and Vice Chairman Newbrook, to require that the cited elevator be brought up to Phase I capability. The motion was unanimous.

**APPEAL #070155:** Mr. Brad Rodgers, for the property located at 146 Broadway, Newport. ADSFM Brad Cronin appeared for the Newport Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to grant the Applicant relief not to sprinkle the facility, based on the existence of a dedicated exterior egress from the fourth floor of this facility. The file on this facility is to remain open. The motion was unanimous.

**APPEAL #070495:** Mr. Timothy J. LaRose, for the property located at 150 Admiral Kalbfus Road, Newport. ADSFM Brad Cronin appeared for the Newport Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Blackburn recused himself from consideration of this case. Vice Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioners O'Connell and Filippi, to grant the Applicant's requested relief based on structural hardship. The motion was unanimous.

**APPEAL #070325B: Mr. Andrew Keating, for the property located at 250 Lloyd Avenue, Providence. ADSFM Lisa Krapf and ADSFM Christopher Dillon appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Richard and Walker, to approve the Applicant's time line and plan of action with modifications. The Providence Fire Marshal's office will inspect the cited stove in the kitchen at the Middle House in order to determine if an Ansul system is required. If so, it shall be installed by January 1, 2008. This file is to remain open. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #050190: Mr. Charles Samos, for the property located at 150 Waterman Street, Providence. DSFM Wade Palazini and DSFM Arthur DaCosta appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Preiss made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Newbrook, to approve the Applicant's requested variances and to approve the Applicant's plan of action for this facility. The motion passed over the objection of Commissioner Blackburn.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Carol Marsella**

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